

IMMIGRATION ACT
(CHAPTER 133, SECTION 56)

IMMIGRATION (EXEMPTION FROM SINGAPORE VISA)
ORDER

ARRANGEMENT OF PARAGRAPHS

Paragraph

1. Citation
 2. Non-citizens exempt from having Singapore visa
The Schedule — Foreign Diplomatic or Consular Officers
The Schedule
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[1st December 2007]

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) Order.

Non-citizens exempt from having Singapore visa

2.—(1) Section 9B(1) of the Act shall not apply to the following non-citizens who do not hold a valid passport from a territory that is approved by the Minister under section 9B(2) of the Act and who arrive in Singapore (by air, sea or land) from a place outside Singapore:

- (a) a non-citizen holding a valid entry permit or re-entry permit;
- (b) a member of such visiting force as the Minister may determine;
- (c) an airline crew member that, in the course of a journey on duty from a place outside Singapore to Singapore, or from a place outside Singapore to a place outside Singapore, calls at an authorised airport;
- (d) a non-citizen who holds a valid laissez-passer issued by the United Nations;

- (e) a non-citizen who holds a valid passport that is issued by the government of any foreign territory specified in Part I of the Schedule, being the type of passport specified opposite that foreign territory;
- (f) a non-citizen who holds a valid passport that is issued by the government of any foreign territory specified in Part II of the Schedule, being the type of passport specified opposite that foreign territory, and who is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 30 days;
- (g) a non-citizen who is —
 - (i) duly accredited to Singapore as a diplomatic or consular representative of the government of any foreign territory specified in Part III of the Schedule, and who holds a valid diplomatic passport, official passport, service passport or public affairs passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;
 - (ia) a person appointed to work in a diplomatic or consular mission of the government of any foreign territory specified in Part IV of the Schedule, and who holds a valid diplomatic passport, service passport or public affairs passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;
[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]
 - (ib) a representative of the government of any foreign territory specified in Part IV of the Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore, and who holds a valid diplomatic passport, service passport or public affairs passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;
[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]
 - (ii) a staff member of any diplomatic or consular representative of the government of any foreign territory referred to in sub-paragraph (i), and who holds a valid diplomatic passport, official passport,

service passport or public affairs passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

- (iii) a spouse or dependent child of the diplomatic or consular representative or staff thereof referred to in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii); or

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

- (iv) a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 18 years, of a person referred to in sub-paragraph (ia) or a representative in an international organisation referred to in sub-paragraph (ib), as the case may be, and who is living in the same household of that person or representative, as the case may be;

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

(ga) a non-citizen —

(i) who —

(A) holds a valid diplomatic passport that is issued by a government of the foreign territory specified in Part V of the Schedule; and

(B) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 90 days;

(ii) who —

(A) is a person appointed to work in a diplomatic or consular mission of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part V of the Schedule; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;

(iii) who —

(A) is a representative of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part V of the

Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of that foreign territory; or

(iv) who —

(A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 18 years, of a person referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or a representative who is referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be;

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

(B) is living in the same household of that person referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or that representative who is referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be; and

(C) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part V of the Schedule;

[S 141/2013 wef 15/03/2013]

(gb) a non-citizen —

(i) who —

(A) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VI of the Schedule; and

(B) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 90 days;

(ii) who —

(A) is a staff member of any diplomatic or consular mission of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VI of the Schedule; and

- (B) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;
 - (iii) who —
 - (A) is a representative of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VI of the Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore; and
 - (B) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of that foreign territory; or
 - (iv) who —
 - (A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 21 years, of a staff member referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or of a representative referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be; and
 - (B) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VI of the Schedule;
- [S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]*
- (gc) a non-citizen —
 - (i) who —
 - (A) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VII of the Schedule; and
 - (B) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 90 days;
 - (ii) who —
 - (A) is an assigned member of any diplomatic mission or consular office of the government

of the foreign territory specified in Part VII of the Schedule; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;

(iii) who —

(A) is a representative of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VII of the Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of that foreign territory; or

(iv) who —

(A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 21 years, of an assigned member referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or of a representative referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be;

(B) is living in the same household as the assigned member or the representative, as the case may be; and

(C) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VII of the Schedule;

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

(gd) a non-citizen —

(i) who —

(A) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VIII of the Schedule; and

(B) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 30 days;

(ii) who —

- (A) is a person appointed to work in a diplomatic mission or consular post of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VIII of the Schedule; and
- (B) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;

(iii) who —

- (A) is a representative of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VIII of the Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore; and
- (B) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of that foreign territory; or

(iv) who —

- (A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 21 years, of an appointed person referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or of a representative referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be;
- (B) is living in the same household as the appointed person or the representative, as the case may be; and
- (C) holds a valid diplomatic passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part VIII of the Schedule;

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

(ge) a non-citizen —

(i) who —

- (A) holds a valid diplomatic or service passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part IX of the Schedule; and

- (B) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 90 days;
- (ii) who —
 - (A) is a person appointed to work in a diplomatic mission or consular office of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part IX of the Schedule; and
 - (B) holds a valid diplomatic or service passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;
- (iii) who —
 - (A) is a representative of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part IX of the Schedule in any international organisation in Singapore; and
 - (B) holds a valid diplomatic or service passport issued by the government of that foreign territory; or
- (iv) who —
 - (A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 21 years, of an appointed person referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) or of a representative referred to in sub-paragraph (iii), as the case may be;
 - (B) is living in the same household as the appointed person or the representative, as the case may be; and
 - (C) holds a valid diplomatic or service passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part IX of the Schedule;

[S 813/2015 wef 02/01/2016]

(gf) a non-citizen —

(i) who —

(A) is a person appointed to work in a diplomatic mission or consular office of the government of the foreign territory specified in Part X of the Schedule; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of that foreign territory;

(ii) who —

(A) is a person accredited to an international organisation in Singapore; and

(B) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part X of the Schedule; or

(iii) who —

(A) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below the age of 21 years, of an appointed person referred to in sub-paragraph (i) or of an accredited person referred to in sub-paragraph (ii), as the case may be;

(B) is living in the same household as the appointed person or the accredited person, as the case may be; and

(C) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the foreign territory specified in Part X of the Schedule;

[S 85/2016 wef 01/03/2016]

(h) a non-citizen (not being a resident of Singapore) holding a valid passport issued by the government of the United States of America and travelling to Singapore other than

for the purpose of employment or seeking employment in Singapore;

- (i) any head of state of a foreign territory who is a guest of the Government;
- (j) a non-citizen arriving in Singapore in special circumstances and where an emergency has affected the non-citizen's ability to apply for a Singapore visa.

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

(1A) Section 9B(1) of the Act does not apply to a non-citizen who arrives in Singapore (by air, sea or land) from a place outside Singapore —

(a) who —

- (i) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the Federative Republic of Brazil; and
- (ii) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 30 days;

(b) who —

- (i) is duly accredited to Singapore as a diplomatic or consular representative of the Federative Republic of Brazil; and
- (ii) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the Federative Republic of Brazil; or

(c) who —

- (i) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below 21 years of age, of a person referred to in sub-paragraph (b);
- (ii) is living in the same household of that person referred to in sub-paragraph (b); and
- (iii) holds a valid diplomatic or official passport issued by the government of the Federative Republic of Brazil.

[S 192/2018 wef 05/04/2018]

(1B) Section 9B(1) of the Act does not apply to a non-citizen who arrives in Singapore (by air, sea or land) from a place outside Singapore —

(a) who —

- (i) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan; and
- (ii) is travelling to Singapore for an attendance not exceeding 30 days;

(b) who —

- (i) is duly accredited to Singapore as a diplomatic or consular representative of the Republic of Kazakhstan; and
- (ii) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

(c) who —

- (i) is accredited to an international organisation in Singapore; and
- (ii) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan; or

(d) who —

- (i) is a spouse, or an unmarried child below 21 years of age, of a person referred to in sub-paragraph (b) or (c);
- (ii) is living in the same household of that person referred to in sub-paragraph (b) or (c); and
- (iii) holds a valid diplomatic, official or service passport issued by the government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

[S 49/2019 wef 22/01/2019]

(2) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(g)(ib) and (iv), (ga)(iii), (gb)(iii), (gc)(iii), (gd)(iii), (ge)(iii) and (gf)(ii), “international organisation” means —

- (a) an organisation declared by an order of the President under section 2 of the International Organisations (Immunities and Privileges) Act (Cap. 145) to be an organisation of which the Government and the government or governments of one or more foreign sovereign Powers are members; or
- (b) a person or, a person who belongs to a class of persons, referred to in section 6(3) of the Diplomatic and Consular Relations Act (Cap. 82A).

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

[S 141/2013 wef 15/03/2013]

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

[S 813/2015 wef 02/01/2016]

[S 85/2016 wef 01/03/2016]

THE SCHEDULE

Paragraph 2(1)(e), (f), (g), (ga), (gb),
(gc), (gd), (ge) and (gf)

FOREIGN DIPLOMATIC OR CONSULAR OFFICERS

PART I

<i>First column</i>	<i>Second column</i>
<i>Foreign territory</i>	<i>Type of passport</i>
1. Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
2. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Diplomatic passport.
3. Kingdom of Thailand	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
4. People’s Republic of Bangladesh	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
5. Republic of India	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

6. Republic of Indonesia	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
7. Republic of the Philippines	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
8. Republic of Tunisia	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
9. Socialist Republic of Vietnam	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
10. Union of Myanmar	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
11. Federal Republic of Nigeria	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.

PART II

<i>First column</i>	<i>Second column</i>
<i>Foreign territory</i>	<i>Type of passport</i>
1. Kyrgyz Republic	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
2. People's Republic of China	Diplomatic, Service or Public Affairs passport.
3. [<i>Deleted by S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015</i>]	
4. Republic of Azerbaijan	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
5. [<i>Deleted by S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015</i>]	
6. Republic of Georgia	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
7. [<i>Deleted by S 49/2019 wef 22/01/2019</i>]	
8. Republic of Moldova	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.
9. Republic of Tajikistan	Diplomatic, Official or Service passport.

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

10. [*Deleted by S 141/2013 wef
15/03/2013*]

11. [*Deleted by S 813/2015 wef
02/01/2016*]

12. Turkmenistan Diplomatic, Official or Service
passport.

13. Ukraine Diplomatic, Official or Service
passport.

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[S 813/2015 wef 02/01/2016]

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

[S 141/2013 wef 15/03/2013]

PART III

1. Republic of Peru.

2. Republic of Poland.

3. State of Israel.

PART IV

1. People's Republic of China.

[S 205/2011 wef 17/04/2011]

PART V

1. Republic of Uzbekistan.

[S 141/2013 wef 15/03/2013]

PART VI

1. Republic of Armenia.

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

PART VII

1. Republic of Belarus.

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

PART VIII

1. Kingdom of Morocco.

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

THE SCHEDULE — *continued*

PART IX

1. Russian Federation.

[S 813/2015 wef 02/01/2016]

PART X

1. Republic of Cuba.

[S 85/2016 wef 01/03/2016]

[S 401/2015 wef 01/07/2015]

[S 813/2015 wef 02/01/2016]

[G.N. Nos. S 658/2007; S 609/2008]

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY
IMMIGRATION (EXEMPTION FROM SINGAPORE VISA)
ORDER
(CHAPTER 133, O 4)

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1. G. N. No. S 658/2007 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) Order 2007

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3. 2009 Revised Edition — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) Order

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4. G.N. No. S 205/2011 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) (Amendment) Order 2011

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6. G.N. No. S 401/2015 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) (Amendment) Order 2015

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7. G.N. No. S 813/2015 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) (Amendment No. 2) Order 2015

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8. G.N. No. S 85/2016 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) (Amendment) Order 2016

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9. G.N. No. S 192/2018 — Immigration (Exemption from Singapore Visa) (Amendment) Order 2018

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